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INDIA SECURITY PRESS NASIK
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the India Security Press, Nasik is responsible for manufacturing of security papers viz. security paper, dandy rolls for security water mark, gumming and super-calendaring, is getting these works done from outside agencies;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the value of counterfeit security papers in circulation at present and the number of cases relating to circulation of counterfeit security papers detected during each of the last three years; and

(d) the remedial measures taken by the Government to check circulation of such security papers ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI. S.S.PALANIMANICKAM)

a) & (b): No Sir. India Security Press, Nasik, is responsible for printing and supply of different types of Security documents only. In this process necessary raw materials required are procured from outside agencies. Paper manufacturers for production of paper obtain dandy rolls from dandy roll manufacturers. Gumming and super-calendaring is also done by outside agencies.

c) : This information may be available with State/ U.T. Governments.India Security Press does not have any data on circulation of counterfeit security papers, as it comes under the purview of law enforcement agencies of the State Governments.

d) : Checking of circulation of security papers, is a law and order subject which comes under the purview of State/ U.T. Governments. However, to eliminate the possibility of pilferage and theft en-route, the supplies to indentors has been made on F.O.R. basis at Security Printing Press, Hyderabad as is the practice at India Security Press, Nasik. Further, the introduction of enhanced security features in stamp papers would make counterfeiting of stamp papers extremely difficult.